STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appl. No.

10/734,197

**Applicants** 

Chin-Cheng Chien et al.

Filed

December 15, 2003

Title

METHOD OF SURFACE PRETREATMENT

BEFORE SELECTIVE EPITAXIAL GROWTH

TC/A.U.

2822

Examiner

DUONG, KHANH B

Confirmation No.

4786

Docket No.

025796-00013

## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Honorable Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

July 14, 2006

Sir:

Applicants petition for an extension of time for one month for response to the outstanding Office Action dated March 28, 2006 from June 28, 2006 to July 28, 2006.

Included in the attached check is the amount of \$120.00 to cover required petition fee. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 01-2300, referencing Attorney Docket No. 025796-00013.

Respectfully submitted,

hande & Barton

07/17/2006 HALI11 00000160 10734197

01 FC:1251

120.00 OP

Rhonda L. Barton

Registration No. 47,271 Attorney for Applicants

Customer No. 004372

ARENT FOX PLLC

1050 Connecticut Avenue, N.W.,

Suite 400

Washington, D.C. 20036-5339

Tel: (202) 857-6000 Fax: (202) 638-4810

TECH/429208.1